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## NECROLOGY.

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MRS. LOUISA BLAKE MASON, wife of Dr. Amos Lawrence Mason and daughter of the late Rear-Admiral Charles Steedman, U. S. N., and a member of the South Carolina Historical Society, died at her summer home at York Harbor, Maine, August 3, 1908, after an illness of several months. She was the fourth and youngest of Rear-Admiral Steedman's daughters and was born in Philadelphia April 9, 1852. She was married to Dr. Mason, whose home was Boston, September 30, 1874. Their only child, a daughter, Marion, married Richard Thornton Wilson, Jr., of New York City and May River, South Carolina. Mrs. Steedman's paternal grand father was Col. Charles John Steedman, who was for many years sheriff of Charleston District, and at other times represented St. James's Parish, Santee, in both branches of the General Assembly of this State. She was also descended from the Blakes of St. James's, Santee, the Serrés, the Jeannerretts and others of the early settlers in that section of South Carolina.